THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) According to the Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking (DESU) factories can run for day or for day and night as per the provisions of the Municipal licence issued to them.

(b) to (d) No such specific casses have come to the notice of DESU. Surprise checks of different areas are being made from time to time by DESU to detect violation, if any, of the laws relating to the use of electricity and appropriate action is taken against the defaulters.

Steel Casting Units

3173 SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has decided to allow steel casting units to manufacture steel ingots and billets;

(b) if so, the details of the same, and

(c) whether the Government have decided to give licences for more mini steel plants in various parts of the country to augment steel production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir Government has recently vide its Press Note No. 18 (1987 Series) decided that the casting units which have obtained industrial licences/letters of intent before the date of issue of this Press Note and which have installed Electric Arc Furnaces of a capacity of 15 tonnes and above will be allowed to manufacture steel ingots/billets. They will have to adopt the modern technological measures for producing steel. The exact capacity for the manufacture of steel ingots/oilets would be decided in each case on the basis of the facilities installed/to be installed by the unit applying for the same.

(c) The matter is under examination of the Government.

Recovery of unintended profits from drug companies

@3174. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to recover unintended profits from Drug Companies and, if so, the details thereof indicating the details of recoveries pending company-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether any time-table for recoveries has been worked out;

(c) whether out of these recoveries a fund would be created to provide for relief to consumers from unintended use of harmful /banned drugs etc.; and

(d) whether the funds would also be used to sustain voluntary health agencies which have been doing yeoman service as watch dog for consumer protection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It is a time consuming, continuous work Details of recoveries effected till today are:—

1.	M/s. Cyanamid (India) Ltd	Rs 20 lakhs
2.	M/s. Hoechst India Ltd	Rs. 2 crores
3.	M/s. Ethnor Ltd	Rs. 7,99.134/-
4.	M/s. Franco-India Pharmaceuticals Ltd	Rs. 42,936/-

(c) and (d) Amounts recovered will be spent as per the provisions of DPCO 1987.

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